"WHAT IS THERE TO FEAR?"

THE EXISTENCE OF THE MAIDENS WHO MAKE UP THE SPIRIT FOREST DATES BACK TO A TIME IN WHICH THEY WERE ONCE EXPOSED TO SUNLIGHT.
PEOPLE WHO HAD BROKEN THE WAY OF HEAVEN AND EARTH BECAME ATTRACTED TOWARDS THE DARKNESS AND EVENTUALLY THE DARKNESS PULLED IN GROUPS OF MAIDENS.
SHOULD THESE MAIDENS WHO PLEDGE THEMSELVES TO THE DARKNESS EVER GO BERSERK, A HUGE CATASTROPHE WILL BEFALL THIS WORLD.
OH, YOU'VE FINALLY COME BACK, DIADORA.
SINCE YOU WERE RUNNING EXCESSIVELY LATE, I WAS THINKING ABOUT GOING TO PICK YOU UP.
MY APOLOGIES GRAND-MOTHER.
I'M SORRY TO HAVE WORRIED YOU.
HERE... THE APPLES YOU REQUESTED FOR THE MEDICINE.
I'M ALWAYS INDEBTED TO YOU...IF ONLY MY LEGS WEREN'T SO STIFF.
ALTHOUGH I DON'T REALLY LIKE TO SEND YOU OUTSIDE.....
IT'S ALL RIGHT...I TOO LIKE HELPING OUT THIS WAY...

...HEY, GRAND-MOTHER.
...I'M JUST A LITTLE TIRED, THAT'S ALL.
NO! THAT'S NOT IT.
...DON'T TELL ME! SOMETHING HAPPENED AT MARPHA!?
OH MY... WHAT'S WRONG? YOU LOOK DOWN.
BUT, I LIKE IT...
HAHAHA. ALL RIGHT, I GUESS IT CAN'T BE HELPED.
MY, MY. AGAIN? YOU ARE ALREADY 17 YEARS OLD, HAVEN'T YOU HAD ENOUGH? HOW ABOUT OUTGROWING THIS STORY?
LET ME HEAR THAT STORY!
THE STORY ABOUT THE KNIGHT WHO GOES AND SAVES THE CAPTURED PRINCESS!!
THEN ONE DAY, THE KING DECIDED TO FIND A HUSBAND FOR THE PRINCESS AND HELD A MAGNIFICENT BALL IN THE KINGDOM.
RUMORS OF HER BEAUTY SPREAD ACROSS THE KINGDOM'S BORDERS AND SOON EVEN THE PEOPLE OF DISTANT COUNTRIES BEGAN TO GOSSIP ABOUT HOW BEAUTIFUL SHE WAS.
THERE WAS A KINGDOM WITH AN EXTREMELY BEAUTIFUL PRINCESS.
ONCE UPON A TIME...

BUT A SORCERER WHO LIVED IN THE NEIGHBORING COUNTRY SHOWED UP AT THE BALL.
"THAT PRINCESS WILL BECOME MY BRIDE."
"IF YOU OPPOSE ME, I WILL DESTROY THIS COUNTRY WITH MY MAGIC."
WITH THOSE WORDS, THERE WAS NO WAY THEY COULD OPPOSE HIM.
THE PRINCESS WEPT, FOR IT WAS DECIDED THAT THE PRINCESS WOULD MARRY THAT SORCERER.
"POOR PRINCESS."
"THE PRINCESS HAS TO STAY IN THAT DARK AND MELANCHOLIC CASTLE WITH THAT SORCERER, JUST THE TWO OF THEM."
A BRAVE TRAVELING KNIGHT HAPPENED TO HEAR THOSE WORDS.
YOU DESPICABLE SORCERER, RETURN THE PRINCESS!!
WITH JUST HIS TRUSTY HORSE THE KNIGHT RODE INTO THE ENEMY CASTLE ALONE.
AFTER A LONG BATTLE TO THE DEATH THE KNIGHT TRIUMPHED OVER THE SORCERER.

AND SO THE PRINCESS AND THE KNIGHT WERE WED. AND THE TWO OF THEM LIVED HAPPILY EVER AFTER.
...GRANDMOTHER, SHE...
...IT IS A STORY THAT HAS BEEN MY "DREAM" EVER SINCE I WAS A CHILD.
BUT, TO ME...
IT MAY BE OKAY TO LAUGH AT A FAIRY-TALE.
...THINKS OF THIS STORY AS CHILDISH...
IT SAYS A PERSON WHO WILL FREE ME FROM THIS FATE WILL APPEAR.
WHY WILL THAT BRING ABOUT A CATOSTROPHE...?
IF I ESTABLISH CLOSE RELATIONS WITH PEOPLE FROM THE OUTSIDE WORLD...
...WHY?

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...WHAT DID YOU SAY...
PRINCE JAMKA IS THE ONE WHO IS CURRENTLY LEADING THE ARMY THAT IS BESIEGING OUR CASTLE?
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...THAT CAN'T BE...!
...IT SEEMS THAT IS THE CASE.
THE ONLY SECTION OF THIS COUNTRY'S ARMY THAT ISN'T MADE UP OF RUFFIANS.
PRINCE JAMKA'S BOW FIGHTERS.
THEY ARE FIRING FLAMING ARROWS FROM THE OTHER SIDE OF THE WALL INTO THE CASTLE GROUNDS. AND IT SEEMS THEY ARE TRYING TO TEAR DOWN THE CASTLE GATE...
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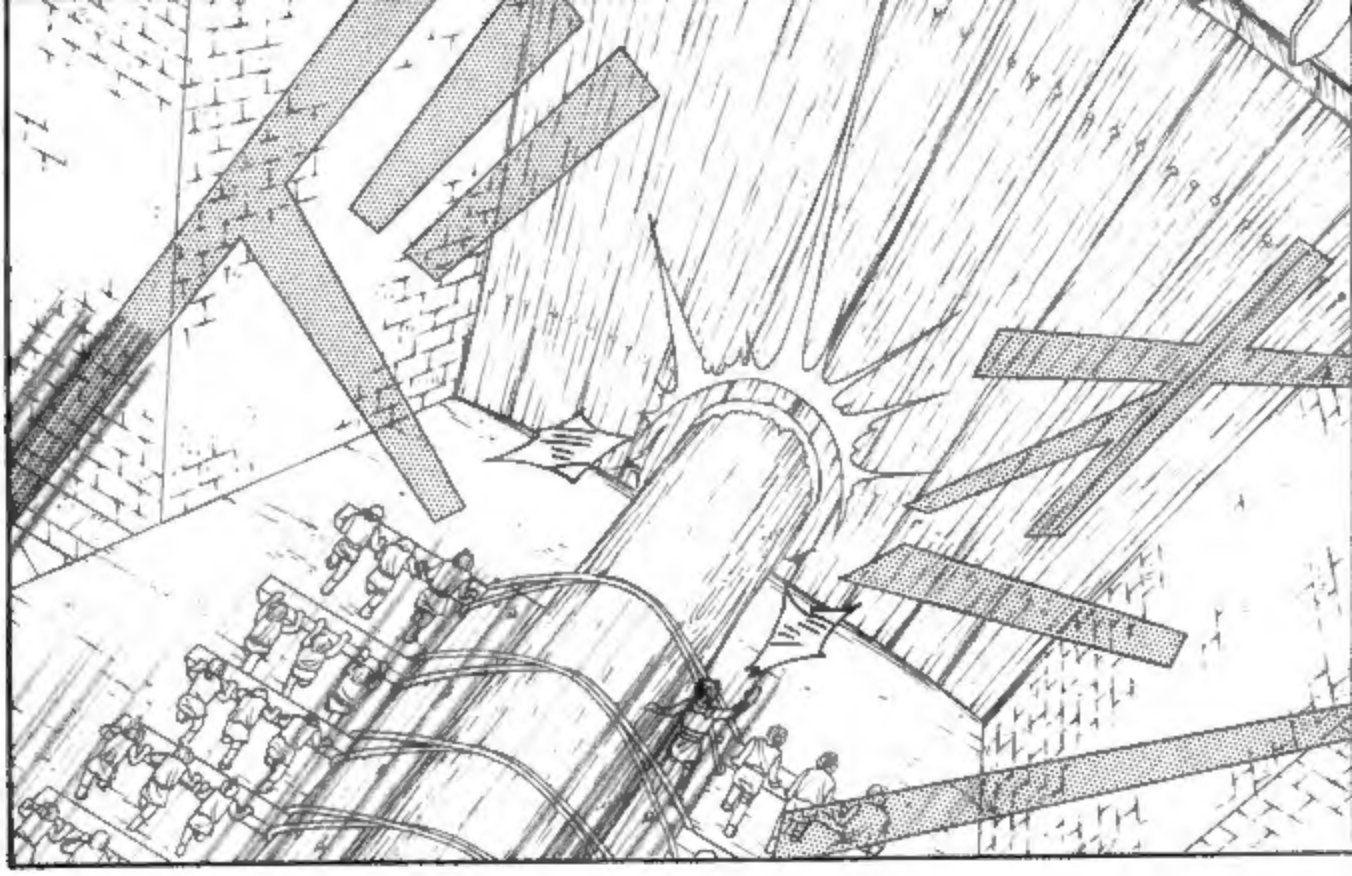


...I DON'T WANT TO THINK ABOUT IT, BUT...

SECOND PLATOON.
FIRE!!

I BELIEVE IT WAS SANDIMA'S SUGGESTION THAT MADE THE KING DECIDE TO INVADE GRANDBELL...
HE IS A MAGE OF A MYSTERIOUS NATURE...
EVER SINCE HE CAME KING BATOR HAS CHANGED.

LORD JAMKA MAY HAVE BEEN CORRUPTED BY SANDIMA AS WELL...
SANDIMA!? WHO'S THAT?

...FOR WHAT REASON... WOULD A MAGE LIKE HIM...
...NEED TO PLAN AN ATTACK ON OUR COUNTRY?
... SANDI MA...

HE IS ALSO THE PERSON WHO RESCUED ME!!
LADY ADEAN.

LORD SIGURD, PREPARATIONS ARE COMPLETE FOR EVERYONE TO SORTIE.
SHALL WE FIGHT BACK?
WE CAN'T!! I REFUSE TO FIGHT AGAINST PRINCE JAMKA...HE IS MY ONLY KEY TO OPEN THE ROAD TO PEACE.

... PRECISE LY ...

FOR THE TIME BEING, LET US EVACUATE THE CASTLE TOWN CIVILIANS INTO THE CASTLE.
AND COOPERATE TOGETHER TO EXTINGUISH THE FLAMES!
.....
..ADEAN...

LORD SIGURD, ALL THE PEOPLE IN THE CASTLE TOWNS HAVE EVACUATED INTO THE CASTLE.
I SEE. NICE WORK, AZEL.
ARE YOU SHAKING WITH FEAR? ARE YOU CONDEMNING ME?
EVEN THOUGH DAWN WILL SOON BREAK,
I WONDER WHAT IS GOING THROUGH YOUR MIND RIGHT NOW.
YOU ARE HEARING THIS NOISE, RIGHT?
THE SORROW IN MY HEART STILL HAS YET TO...
ARE YOU ALL RIGHT? YOU LOOK ILL, ADEAN.
AZEL ...
HIYAAAAA! JUST A LITTLE MORE!

LORD SIGURD! THEY HAVE BROKEN THROUGH THE CASTLE WALLS.
ENEMY TROOPS ARE SURGING INTO THE COURTYARD.
.....!

LORD SIGURD, THE ENEMIES HAVE SURROUNDED THE CASTLE AND ARE RAINING ARROWS DOWN UPON US.
DON'T LAY A HAND ON THE CASTLE CIVILIANS
OUR ENEMY IS THE GRANDBELL ARMY.
THE YOUNG LORD, SIGURD!
THIS IS NOT HOW I WANTED TO RE-UNITE WITH HIM.
I DON'T LIKE THIS..!
THIS IS NOT WHAT I WISHED FOR!!
BARBARA WILL NEVER ALLOW US TO SURRENDER.
NO...IS THERE NO OTHER WAY THAN TO FIGHT BACK!?
PLEASE ORDER A COUNTER ATTACK! LORD SIGURD!!

I AM THE DAUGHTER OF HOUSE JUNGBY, CARRIERS OF THE ULIR BLOODLINE.

IF YOU ARE GOING TO PIERCE THIS BODY, THEN GO AHEAD AND TRY..!

THAT IS BECAUSE THE ARROWS WERE HIS LIMBS .AND THE LIMBS WOULD NEVER BE ALLOWED TO HARM ONE'S OWN BODY

THEN I HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO RETURN THE FAVOR TO HIM BY BRINGING HIM BACK TO HIS SENSES...!

IN ANCIENT TIMES DURING THE HOLY WAR.

IT IS SAID THAT THE BOW GOD ULIR WOULD NOT EVEN RECEIVE A SCRATCH EVEN WHEN THE ENEMY WOULD INCESSANTLY RAIN ARROWS DOWN UPON HIM.

YOU CAN'T!! TO LET YOU BEAR THE FULL BRUNT OF THE ENEMY ..

THAT'S RIGHT ADEAN, IT'S DANGEROUS!

NO!!

...WH ...AT!

...W ..

WAIT ..

ADEAN?

..I WILL...

...HE SAVED ME.

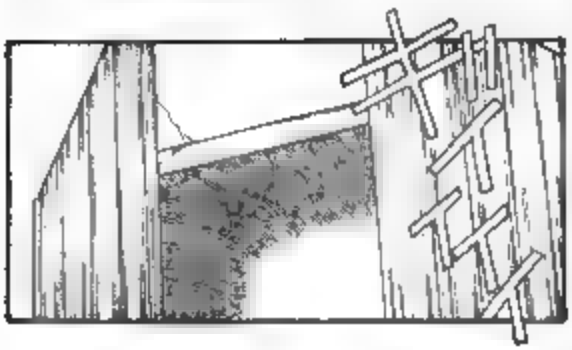
IF IT'S JUST LIKE THE ELDER SAID, IF HE IS INDEED BEING MANIPULATED BY THAT MAGE...

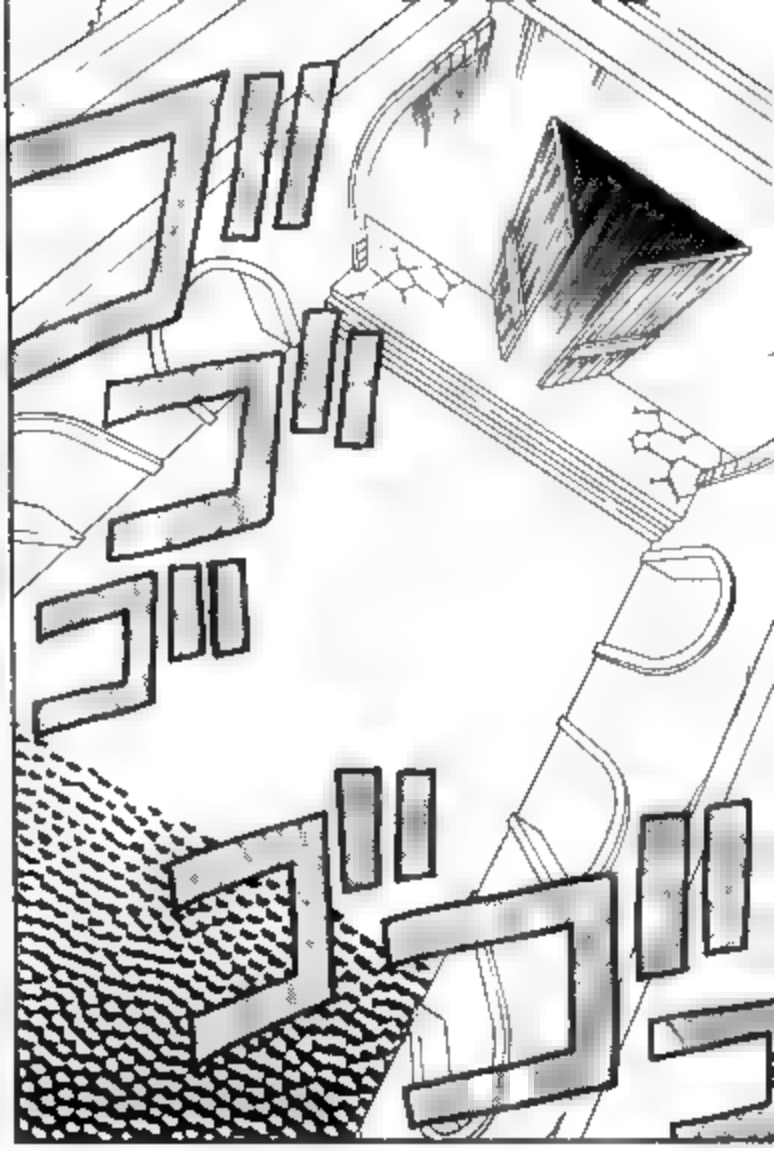
...TRY TO PERSUADE PRINCE JAMKA.

BUT EVEN STILL THE FACT THAT THEY HAVEN'T CALLED OFF THE R SIEGE BOTHERS ME...
BUT IF THEY ARE CEASING THEIR ARROWS THEN THIS IS A GOOD OPPORTUNITY TO PERSUADE THEM.
YEAH.
IT SEEMS THAT THE ENEMY IS CEASING THEIR ARROW ATTACK FOR THE TIME BEING.
IT WOULD BE GOOD IF THEY RAN OUT OF ARROWS. .
PERHAPS IT WOULD BE BETTER AFTER ALL IF I ACCOMPANIED YOU...
PLEASE DO NOT WORRY.
I'M SURE THAT PRINCE JAMKA WOULD ALSO FEEL RELIEVED IF I WENT ALONE.
ADEAN AREN'T YOU SCARED?
YOU ARE GOING TO BE ALONE OUT THERE STANDING IN FRONT OF ALL THE ENEMY SOLDIERS YOU KNOW!?
AZEL.
I'M SCARED.
SMILE
I'M NOT SCARED.

ALL RIGHT, OPEN THE GATE!
YES

LORD JANKA.
THE CASTLE GATE IS OPENING!!
EVERYONE, LOAD YOUR BOWS.
GOOD. WE HAVE THEM RIGHT WHERE WE WANT THEM.





ADEAN, I'M GOING TO KILL YOUR FRIENDS...!
FIRE!!

THE REASON WE STOPPED OUR ATTACKS WASN'T BECAUSE WE EXHAUSTED OUR ARROW SUPPLY.
ALL SO THAT WE CAN CATCH EVERY SINGLE ONE OF THEM AT ONCE.
IT WAS TO MAKE THEM THINK THAT WE HAVE, FORCING THEM TO COME OUT HERE.

..EH?
H-

AND THIS IS THE "PUNISHMENT" BESTOWED UPON ME...

HOLD YOUR FIRRRE!

THE NIGHTMARE IS TURNING INTO REALITY.

I ATTACKED KNOWING THAT MOMENT WOULD EVENTUALLY COME.

A GOD-DESS ..

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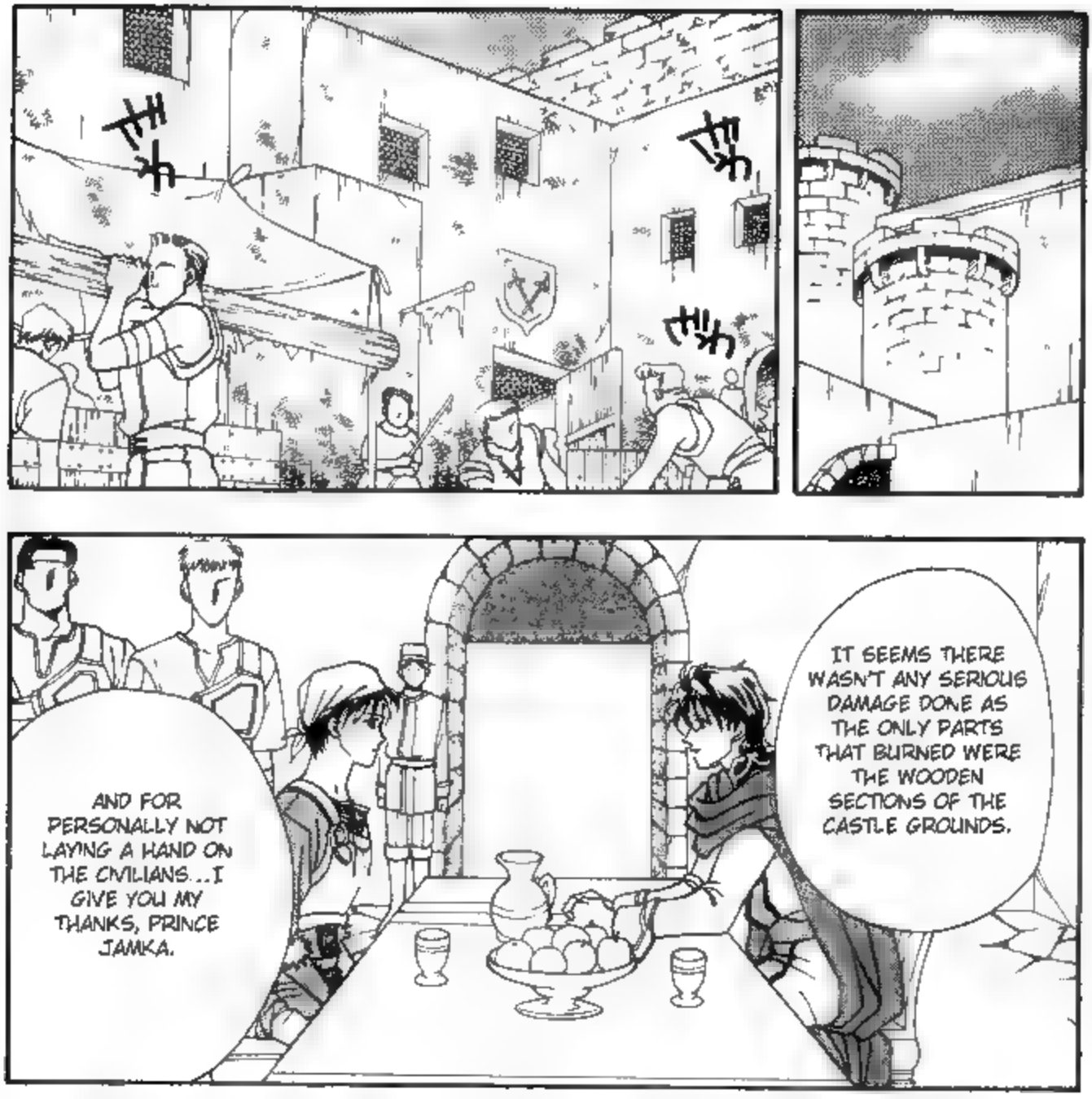
GOD-DESS ..!

IT'S A GODDESS ...!

..IT WOULD HAVE BEEN EASIER..
..IF YOU HAD JUST COND-EMNED ME..
ADEAN...
BUT TO LOOK AT ME WITH SUCH SORROWFUL... SUCH SAD EYES...PLEASE STOP IT...!


IT SEEMS THERE WASN'T ANY SERIOUS DAMAGE DONE AS THE ONLY PARTS THAT BURNED WERE THE WOODEN SECTIONS OF THE CASTLE GROUNDS.
AND FOR PERSONALLY NOT LAYING A HAND ON THE CIVILIANS...I GIVE YOU MY THANKS, PRINCE JAMKA.
I WAS THINKING THAT I WAS SURELY GOING TO BE EXECUTED, YET...
YOU ARE AN UNUSUAL PERSON, LORD SIGURD...
I HAVE HEARD ABOUT YOU FROM ADEAN.
I HAVE BEEN WANTING TO MEET YOU.

THAT BASTARD SANDIMA IS SKILLED IN HIS ABILITY TO GAIN PEOPLE'S TRUST..
HE PRETENDED TO TAKE CREDIT FOR GETTING RID OF A GRANDBELL ASSASSIN WHO HAD TARGETED MY DAD'S LIFE.
BUT THAT ASSASSIN WAS PLANTED BY HIM!
HOW THE PACIFISTIC KING BATOR HAS CHANGED EVER SINCE SANDIMA SHOWED UP ..
MY ADVICE TO HIM ENDED UP HAVING NO EFFECT.
... THAT'S RIGHT ..
DAD REFUSES TO LISTEN TO ANYTHING ELSE BESIDES HIS WORDS.
OF COURSE NOT! TO ME YOU ARE NOT AN ENEMY.
.....
I HEARD ABOUT A SORCERER WHO WENT BY THE NAME OF SANDIMA OR SOMETHING FROM THE PEOPLE IN THE CASTLE COURTYARD.
ENEMIES WHO SHARE COMMON IDEALS SHOULD BE COMRADES ..
WITH THE POWER OF THE DARK MAGIC HE POSSESSED HE....
EVEN THOUGH I KNEW THAT HE PLANTED HIM, I WAS UNABLE TO FIND ANY CONCLUSIVE EVIDENCE TO SUPPORT THAT CLAIM.
..BECAUSE OF WHAT HE DID MY FATHER GRADUALLY CAME TO ADORE THAT BASTARD..

THAT SANDIMA IS A MEMBER OF THE DARK SECT ..?
DARK MAGIC..!!
..SO YOU MEAN TO SAY ..
...A DARK SECT MAGE...
...JUST WHAT KIND OF STRONG MAGIC IS HE CAPABLE OF...?
DARK SECT!?
YOU MEAN THAT GROUP THAT WORSHIPS THAT DARK GOD ..?
ASSMBLED IN GRANDBELL ARE THE BARHARA ROYAL FAMILY AND 6 DUKEDOMS THAT EACH CARRY THE BLOODLINES OF THE ORIGINAL HOLY WARRIORS.
...IF THAT'S THE CASE I NOW UNDERSTAND WHY SANDIMA IS AIMING AFTER GRANDBELL.
BUT EVEN STILL ...
... HEHE ...

INSOLENT JANKA. I KNEW YOU WOULD DOUBLE-CROSS US.
ISN'T THAT RIGHT, KING BATOR?
EVEN YOUR BELOVED SON BETRAYED YOU. HOW DO YOU FEEL RIGHT NOW?
THAT IS BECAUSE THE LIFEFORCE THROUGHOUT YOUR BODY IS BEING SUCKED AWAY, AND YOU ARE SLOWLY HEADING TOWARDS DEATH.
FUFU. SOON YOU WON'T EVEN BE ABLE TO SCOWL AT ME WITH THAT BODY.
MY LITTLE YOTSMUNGAND-INFECTED OBJECT

WHILE LONGER.
WITHOUT YOU WE
GOTTEN LOST
TRYING TO MAKE
OUR WAY OUT OF
NOW...COME IF
YOU DARE.
DESCENDANT OF

..PRINCE JAMKA.
FROM HERE, IN WHICH DIRECTION DOES THE SPIRIT FOREST LIE?
THIS WAY IS THE MORE PREFERABLE ROUTE.
AS OPPOSED TO GOING TOWARDS THE SPIRIT FOREST WHERE IT'S PITCH BLACK DURING MIDDAY AND THE TREES LUSHLY GROW.
TO PUT IT BLUNTLY, IT'S NOT WALKABLE UNLESS YOU ARE ONE OF THE PEOPLE WHO LIVE THERE.
LET ME SEE...I BELIEVE IT'S A BIT EAST OF HERE. CLOSE TO THE LAKE.
YOU WANT TO GO AND TAKE A LOOK?
'CAUSE THEY SAY THAT IF YOU WERE TO ESTABLISH CLOSE RELATIONS WITH THE MAIDEN WHO LIVES THERE SOMETHING BAD WILL HAPPEN.
Although I've never met her personally myself
HOWEVER I'D SUGGEST AGAINST IT.
.....

..DON'T BELIEVE IN THAT!
I THINK THAT'S A SILLY SUPERSTITION ..
..I..
EVERY ONE PREACHES THE SAME THING.
I CAN SEE THAT IT IS BECOMING A MULTI-THREADED INVISIBLE STRING THAT SHE IS GETTING CAUGHT IN...
THEY ALL SAY TO STAY AWAY FROM THE MAIDEN OF THE SPRIT FOREST.
EVEN THOUGH NO ONE EVEN KNOWS JUST WHAT KIND OF DISASTER WILL OCCUR?

HEY ETHLIN.. HAVE YOU SEEN PRINCE JAMKA?
ISN'T HE OVER AT MY BROTHER'S TENT?
HE SAID HE WANTED TO DISCUSS A BUNCH OF THINGS ABOUT VERDANE CASTLE'S DEFENSES.
I WANT TO SEE HER AGAIN...
..IF THINGS KEEP GOING ON LIKE THIS, IT WILL BE MISERABLE...
..FOR BOTH HER...
SO YOU ARE CONCERNED ABOUT PRINCE JAMKA!?
AHA! ♡ WHAT'S THIS, ADEAN!
T-THAT'S RIGHT...
...AND MYSELF...
IF IT'S ABOUT LOVE. I WILL TEACH YOU A-N-Y-T-H-I-N-G .. ♡
You know "THAT" kind of stuff or "THIS" kind of stuff.
"THAT" KIND OF STUFF? "THIS" KIND OF STUFF?
What does that mean
HE HAS QUITE A WILD CHARM ABOUT HIM.
EHH!?
I UNDERSTAND, I UNDERSTAND. YOU RISKED YOUR LIFE TO PERSUADE HIM AFTER ALL ♡
Yep Yep
Ethlin is the younger one you know
Proud

I APOLOGIZE... THINGS WOULD BE GOOD IF I HAD JUST INVESTIGATED MORE THOROUGHLY ...
I WOULDN'T HAVE KNOWN ABOUT THE EXISTENCE OF THE ROYAL PALACE GUARDS IF YOU HADN'T TOLD ME
DON'T TAKE IT THE WRONG WAY. I WASN'T BLAMING YOU.
SO AS FAR AS WE'RE CONCERNED WE DON'T KNOW TO WHAT EXTENT SANDIMA'S MAGIC POWER IS CAPABLE OF.
WE'D BETTER NOT APPROACH THE CASTLE CARELESSLY.
...EVEN THOUGH I SAY THAT...
...MY GUT FEELINGS AREN'T QUITE...
PRINCE JAMKA!!
BECAUSE I AM ASKING FOR YOU TO COOPERATE WITH US ON SOMETHING THAT IS PAINFUL FOR YOU.
INSTEAD I'M THINKING I SHOULD BE THE ONE APOLOGIZING...
EVEN IF I AM TO BE LABELED A TRAITOR, THIS IS SOMETHING I HAVE TO DO.
IT CAN'T BE HELPED. THIS IS ALSO FOR THE SAKE OF DEFEATING SANDIMA,
AND TO BRING MY FATHER BACK TO HIS SENSES TOO.

..ADEAN..
AZEL!
WHAT ARE YOU STARING AT?
UM...THANK YOU PRINCE JANKA,
FOR COOPERATING WITH US FOR OUR SAKE.
OH..
SO THAT'S WHAT YOU MEANT WHEN YOU SAID YOU HAD SOMETHING TO SAY.

...YOU SEE!? WHY ARE YOU APOLO-GIZING?
DESPITE THE FACT THAT I WAS UNABLE TO KEEP MY PROMISE TO YOU.
AREN'T I THE PERSON WHO SHOULD BE APOLO-GIZING?
I'M SORRY. . JANKA.
HEAVEN'S SAKE... WHETHER IT'S YOU OR LORD SIGURD,
YOU BOTH TAKE OTHER PEOPLE INTO CONSIDERATION TOO MUCH
...NO. . THIS IS MY DUE PUNISHMENT.
I
I STILL INFLICTED THIS WOUND UPON YOU.
BECAUSE EVEN THOUGH...I KNOW THAT YOU ARE SUFFERING RIGHT NOW.
I'M HAPPY KNOWING THAT YOU ARE BY MY SIDE...

...
THAT
IS
WHY
I SAID
I'M
SORRY

I HAVE BEEN WANTING TO DO THIS...
...EVER SINCE I FIRST LAID MY EYES UPON YOU...

...THERE'S NO REASON FOR ME... TO SUFFER...!!
THAT'S WHY I...
I CHOSE TO BE BY YOUR SIDE...IT'S SO THAT...

JAMKA
UNREQ-UITED LOVE.. IS IT..?

LIAR.

UUUGH
UN..
UNNNNNNNNNNNN!
Azel
It's Lady Adean of Jungaby
TO ME SHE WAS MY ETERNAL MUSE.
You are called Azel?
I am Adean.
Nice to meet you.
IT WAS WHEN I WAS STILL A CHILD AT BARHARA CASTLE.
EVER SINCE I FIRST SAW YOU...
BUT...AS LONG AS HE PROTECTS HER..
...AS LONG AS THEY ARE IN LOVE...IT'S ALL RIGHT ISN'T IT...?

GODDESSES ARE UNOBTAINABLE
TRUSTING YOU NOISH, ALEC.
TO FIRST ACT AS AN ADVANCE PARTY TO CRUSH THE ROYAL PALACE GUARDS.

ALL RIGHT! WE'RE MOVING OUT!
LEAVE IT TO US, LORD SIGURD.
DURING THAT TIME THE MAIN ARMY WILL ADVANCE THE MAIN CAMP FORWARD.
AND FINALLY THEY WILL BESIEGE THE CASTLE WITH THE WHOLE ARMY.
HEHE ...
HEH.
THEY'RE HERE. THEY'RE HERE ...
THE INSECTS WILL..
. BURN IN THE FLAMES OF HELL.

DON'T FALL BEHIND NOISH'S UNIT!

FUFU HURRY COME!

CLOSER.

COME CLOSER!

AAH! WHAT'S THAT...!?

WHAT IS THISSSSSS!? FIRRRRRE!?

GYAAAH!

UWAAAAAH!

WHA..

WHAT THE HELL IS THAT..

UWAH!

NOISH...

WHERE IS NOISH!?

NOOOOOOOISH!!

NOT ONE BURN...
WHAT IN THE WORLD WERE THOSE FLAMES JUST NOW!?
ARE YOU OKAY NOISH!!
ALEC. . WHAT ON EARTH IS HAPPENING TO ME-
THE FLAMES DISAPP EARED!!
AGH.
BLACK BLOOD_!!
GUHWA?
RE-TREATTT!
FALL BACK!!
ALL UNITS WITHDRAW !!
THE ROYAL PALACE GUARDS ARE ATTACKINGGGG!

THAT WAS SURELY A SCENE FROM HELL...
UUH...
UUH
UUH
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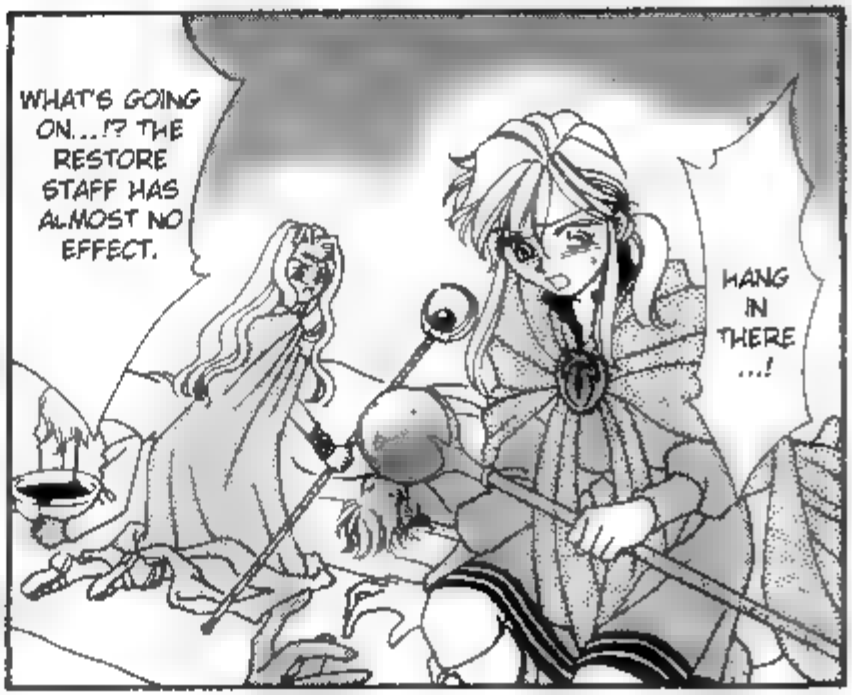
UH...
IS THIS...
... WHAT?

.....
..EVERY-THING HAPPENED IN A BLINK OF AN EYE


WHAT'S GOING ON...!? THE RESTORE STAFF HAS ALMOST NO EFFECT.
HANG IN THERE ...!

CONSTANTLY VOMITING BLACK BLOOD.
THE SKIN SHIFTS TO A BLACK DISCOLORATION— AND THEN THEY DIE.
THIS IS THE POWER OF DARK MAGIC...!!
ALL OF A SUDDEN...A DEMON ACCOMPANIED BY PALE FLAMES APPEARED IN THE SKY. .
ALL THE PEOPLE WHO WERE SHOWERED WITH THE FLAMES THAT THE DEMON EMITTED TURNED OUT LIKE THIS.
I DIDN'T KNOW THE ENEMY WAS CAPABLE OF LONG RANGE MAGIC.
HAA
..LO ..
..RD.. SIGU. .RD..
BE STRONG, NOISH. .
DON'T DIE ON ME. .!
...I WAS CARELESS.
BUT EVEN IF THE ONLY THING I KNEW WAS THAT THEY HAD A DARK MAGE,
I SHOULD HAVE TAKEN MORE PRECAUTIONS...!

EVERY-THING...
..IS DUE TO MY MISJUDGMENT.
SIGURD!?
.....
HOW AWFUL...
MY APOLOGIES ...LORD SIGURD.
..IT'S NOT YOUR FAULT, PRINCE JAMKA.
I WOULD HAVE EXPOSED THE EXTENT OF SANDIMA'S POWER NO MATTER THE COST..
IF I KNEW THINGS WERE GOING TO GET THIS BAD,
I UNDERSTAND YOU ARE BLAMING YOURSELF...BUT CALM DOWN!
LEAVE ME BE, CLAN!
WAIT!! WHERE DO YOU THINK YOU'RE GOING!?

..WHEN.. I LOOK AT THAT GRUESOME SCENE..
WHEN..
..I LOOK AT EVERYONE'S SUFFERING BODIES..
YOU DIDN'T KNOW THAT THE ENEMY POSSESSED SUCH MAGIC.
..I.. DIDN'T KNOW ..?
IT'S NOT YOUR FAULT OKAY!?
HOW CAN I ACCEPT SUCH AN EXCUSE!!
BECAUSE YOU JUST THINK "OH AFTER ALL IT'S SOMEONE ELSE'S PROBLEM"!!
YOU CAN SAY THAT...

HA
WHA...
I GIVE YOU COMFORTING WORDS AND YOU REPLY WITH A PERFUNCTORY COMMENT LIKE THAT...?
"AFTER ALL IT'S SOMEONE ELSE'S PROBLEM"...
I NEVER KNEW...THAT YOU THOUGHT OF ME AS THAT KIND OF A PERSON...
TO YOU...!

...I'M SORRY...! FORGIVE ME.
WHAT I SAID JUST NOW WAS A LIE.
PLEA SE FOR- GET IT.
SIGURD ...
...I'M HEART- BROKEN ...!!
...AH ...
CUAN...I TRULY UNDERSTAND WHAT YOU ARE TRYING TO SAY...
...I JUST CAN'T BRING MYSELF TO FORGIVE WHAT I'VE DONE.
BUT RIGHT NOW...
AAH.
I'M ABOUT TO CRY.
PLEASE...COULD YOU LET ME BE ALONE FOR A LITTLE WHILE...?

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MY DISGUST WITH MYSELF IS TEARING ME APART
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EVEN GOING AS FAR AS TO HURT MY FRIENDS...
カッ
...AH...

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